

## The Cross of the Last Days (Mark 14:25) Sermon Devotional

Series: The Cross

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1. Why do some people believe Christianity is outdated?
2. What are some reasons you believe the death of Christ is still relevant today?

### Digging Deeper

3. Read Mark 14:22-25 or access Pastor David's message at [broadviewchurch.com/media](http://broadviewchurch.com/media).
4. In verse 25, Jesus mentions "the kingdom of God." How would you define "the kingdom of God?"
5. When Jesus began his ministry, he said, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news" (Mark 1:15). Does this seem to place the kingdom of God in the present day or much later in the distant future?
6. Jesus inaugurated the kingdom of God in the present day, and yet there is a more complete fulfillment of it for which we are still waiting. The kingdom of God is both present and future. The way to enter God's kingdom is by means of the cross of Christ. Do you believe there is any other way to be a part of God's kingdom?
7. The apostle Paul writes that when we partake of the Lord's Supper, we "proclaim the Lord's death **until he comes**" (1 Cor. 11:26). If partaking of the Lord's Supper is connected to the last days, does this impact how seriously we think of it? Why or why not?

### Bringing It Home

8. Have you ever prayed with faith for someone to be healed, and yet they were not?
  9. If we understand the kingdom of God as something that is both present and future—as both within us right now and something we are waiting for—does it make sense to you that there are times when we see the miraculous done by faith and other times when we must wait for a future fulfillment?
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